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TELEGRAMS.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

CONDENSED.

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The Allies have captured about 500 metres of trenches between Perthes and Beausejour.

The Liverpool steamer Bengrove has been sunk of Ilfracombe, probably by a submarine.

The French liner *La Touraine* has arrived at Havre, the fire having been extinguished.

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A British force has engaged Turkish troops, together with Turkish and Persian irregulars, to the west of Abwaz.

At Reichackerkopf the Germans have been driven back after furious hand-to-hand fighting, their losses being extremely heavy.

The Jockey Club has called a meeting for the 16th inst. to consider whether racing shall be continued during the war.

Owing to the increasing chaos in Mexico City, the U.S. Government has addressed urgent representations to General Carranza.

The Russian Black Sea Fleet has bombarded Zingulak, Eregli, Kiliwli and Kozlon, silencing batteries and destroying coal wharves.

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British airmen have dropped eleven bombs on the submarine repair basin at Ostend and four bombs on the German military headquarters.

## NEWS.

Further Notes on the Crisis appear on page 4.

Latest local football arrangements are given to-day.

The report of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Co. is given to-day.

Turf chatter from our London correspondent appears on the Extra.

Interesting Volunteer and Volunteer Reserve Orders appear elsewhere.

"Our Contemporaries" appears on page 2, Commercial News on page 3 and Log Book on page 6.

General news and some particulars concerning the Imperial Merchant Service Guild's war services appear on page 3.

## DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY  
Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.  
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.  
The Quaints, Theatre Royal—9.15 p.m.

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The Quaints, Theatre Royal—9.15 p.m.

Football, Shild Semi-Final—Happy Valley.

Sale of Porcelain and Curios—O. P. Lammet's Sales Room—2.30 p.m.

Monday, March 15  
Organ Recital, St. John's Cathedral—5.30 p.m.

## TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

### BRITISH AIRSHIPS DROP BOMBS ON OSTEND.

### GERMAN SUBMARINE BASE DAMAGED.

### Further Good Work in the Dardanelles.

### GERMANY'S SUBMARINE SCHEME FAILS.

### British Force Fights Turks and Persians.

(Official Telegram from the British Foreign Office.)

March 8.

As Turkish troops, together with Turkish and Persian irregulars, had been gathering to the west of Abwaz, a reconnaissance in force was made from this town on the 3rd. The enemy was discovered in great force, numbering about 12,000.

Repeated attempts to surround our party were defeated, and a retirement was effected, after punishing the enemy severely. The British and Indian losses were 62 killed, 127 wounded; while the enemy lost from 200 to 300 killed, and from 500 to 600 wounded, including several chiefs.

On the same day, a cavalry reconnaissance was made in the direction of Nekale, 25 miles north-west of Baers. A party of 1,500 hostile horsemen was discovered, and drawn on to a concealed position held by infantry with machine guns and artillery. The enemy suffered heavily, and fled. Our losses were 10 killed and 2 wounded.

### French Reports.

(Official Telegram from the French Government, via Peking.)

March 9.

On the 7th, French troops carried German trenches north-west of Sonain, taking 50 prisoners. Between Perthes and Beausejour we gained from 400 to 500 metres. Several officers have been taken prisoners. German prisoners declared that our artillery, on the heights of the Meuse, severely damaged a 42 c.m. gun just put into action, and which had to be sent back to the rear for repairs.

We have progressed north of Badonvillers. The Germans succeeded, by a violent counter-attack, in gaining for a short time a footing on Reichackerkopf ridge, but were dislodged by trench chasseurs, who now hold the position. The enemy's losses were very heavy. A German attack delivered south of Burnhaupt station (in Upper Alsace) failed.

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on the Extra.]

### EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph.")

### British Aerial Raid on German Submarine Base.

March 9, 12.40 p.m.

The Press Bureau announces that Wing Commander Longmore, reports that six naval aeroplanes made an attack on Ostend yesterday.

Two of the machines returned, owing to their supply of petrol freezing.

The remainder, however, succeeded in dropping eleven bombs on the German submarine repair base, and four bombs on the Kursaal, which is the headquarters of the military.

All the machines and their pilots have returned and it is probable that considerable damage was done.

No submarines were seen in the basin.

The raid took place while a fresh north-north-westerly wind prevailed.

## TO-DAY'S WAR TELEGRAMS.

### Admiralty's Announcement with Regard to German Pirates.

March 9, 1.5 a.m.

The Admiralty announces that it does not feel justified in extending honourable treatment to the rescued officers and crew of the sunken German submarine U8, as they are probably guilty of attacking and sinking unarmed merchantmen.

The Admiralty emphasises that persons against whom such charges are pending cannot be accorded distinctions of rank or be allowed to mingle with other prisoners.

### The "Bengrove" Sunk.

March 9, 1.5 a.m.

The Admiralty announced late to-night that the Liverpool steamer Bengrove was sunk, probably by a submarine, off Ilfracombe, yesterday afternoon.

The crew of thirty-three was saved.

### A German 42 Centimetre Gun Badly Damaged.

March 8, 5.45 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Paris reports that a communiqué says:

Our progress at different points in the Champagne region has increased. At the end of the day we captured the trenches north-west of Susin and about five hundred metres between Perthes and Beausejour. We also took some prisoners, including officers.

Our heavy guns on the heights of the Meuse seriously damaged, according to statements made by the prisoners, 42-centimetre gun recently placed there by the enemy. The gun had to be dismantled and sent to the rear, while four of the gun crew were killed and seven wounded.

We also progressed to the north of Badonvillers.

The Germans violently counter-attacked at Reichackerkopf and gained a footing momentarily, but were driven back after furious hand to hand fighting. The German losses were extremely heavy.

A German attack to the south of the station at Burnhaupt was repelled by our infantry fire.

### Admiralty Report on Dardanelles Operations.

March 9, 12.40 a.m.

The Admiralty makes the following announcement: The operations in the Dardanelles are progressing, favoured by fine weather.

H.M.S. Queen Elizabeth and other British battleships were on Saturday engaged in re-taking the forts in the Narrows, by indirect fire across the Gallipoli Peninsula, while an Allied squadron fired on Fort Dardanus and the concealed batteries from inside the Straits.

Some of the British ships were hit, but only the slightest damage was incurred and there were no casualties.

H.M.S. Lord Nelson and H.M.S. Agamemnon on Sunday engaged the forts in the Narrows by direct fire, and silenced two of the forts after a heavy bombardment.

Naval seaplanes in locating the concealed land batteries performed magnificent work. Flying sometimes very low, they were repeatedly hit, but none were lost and only three of the officers were injured.

### "La Touraine" Arrives.

March 9, 12.40 a.m.

A Havre message reports that the French trans-Atlantic liner *La Touraine* has arrived in port, the fire having been extinguished.

### M. Zaimis Declines Premiership.

March 9, 4.15 a.m.

A despatch from Athens reports that M. Zaimis has declined to form a new Cabinet.

The King has therefore summoned General Gounaris.

### Russians Silence Black Sea Batteries.

March 9, 4.15 a.m.

An official report from Petrograd states that the Black Sea Fleet has bombarded Zingulak, Eregli, Kiliwli and Kozlon, silencing the batteries, destroying the coal-wharves and sinking eight steamers.

### Admiral Peirse's Report on Smyrna Operations.

March 9, 1.5 a.m.

The Press Bureau publishes a report by Rear-Admiral Sir Richard H. Peirse, K.C.B., Commander-in-Chief on the East Indies Station, with regard to the operations on the coast of Smyrna.

According to this report, the bombardment on Friday severely damaged Fort Yenikale.

A squadron on Saturday swept a way through the mine-fields till it drew the fire of several subsidiary batteries, all of which were silenced.

The British casualties were slight.

### A Zeppelin Wrecked—Seventeen Killed.

March 9, 1.5 a.m.

A message from Amsterdam says that further details show that the Zeppelin airship L8 has been completely wrecked, landing in the trees, during the darkness, near Arlemon.

Seventeen of the crew of forty-two were killed.

## TO-DAY'S WAR TELEGRAMS.

### The Failure of German Piracy.

March 8, 4.15 p.m.

The Press Bureau makes a most satisfactory announcement which shows the failure of German piracy.

During the week from February 25 to March 3 not a single merchantman was torpedoed.

From March 2 to March 5 three unsuccessful attempts were made.

Altogether from January 21 only fifteen British merchantmen have been torpedoed, twenty-nine members of the crews being killed.

German Offensive Broken: Another Austrian Battalion Surrenders.

March 9, 4.15 a.m.

An official report from Petrograd states that in the region of Suwalki the enemy has been repulsed. On the front Mariampol-Simino-Augustovo our offensive continues.

The German offensive has been arrested in the region of the Pilica and on the left of the Vistula, and we are counter-attacking.

An Austrian column has been surrounded at Klausen, in the Carpathians, and an entire battalion surrendered.

French Progress Extended.

March 9, 1.40 a.m.

Last evening's Paris communiqué states that in Champagne snowstorms impeded the day's operations.

The enemy in the morning attempted to re-capture the wood to the west of Perthes, but were repulsed. A counter-attack gained a ground east and north. Our progress was extended during the afternoon, when we captured five hundred metres of trenches in the vicinity of Perthes.

We lost a few metres between Mesnil and Beausejour, but took a hundred metres on the ridge north-east of Mesnil and gained a footing in an enemy trench at Bois-Blanc, in the region of Saint Mihiel.

A German attack at Bois-le-Prieur, north-west of Pont-a-Mousson, failed.

Our progress was continued north of Badonvillers and we repulsed a counter-attack at Reichackerkopf.

### TELEGRAMS.

### ENGLISH TURF.

### JOCKEY CLUB AND THE WAR.

(Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph.")

London. Received March 9.

The Jockey Club has called a meeting in order to consider the question of the continuance of horse racing in England during the war.

The meeting is to be held on the 16th instant.

### MEXICAN SITUATION.

### PROPOSED AMERICAN INTERVENTION.

London. Received March 9.

Reuter's correspondent at Washington telegraphs that, owing to the increasing chaos in Mexico City, the United States has addressed urgent representations to Carranza, amounting to a warning.



## GENERAL NEWS.

## Japanese Violins for America.

Any exportation of Western musical instruments made in Japan to the West may sound strange, but it is true, according to an Osaka newspaper. A violin manufacturer in Nagoya has sent a shipment of violins lately to the United States to fill an order for tens of thousands of them. The instruments mostly in demand in America are chiefly German made, costing \$3 to \$8G. At the outbreak of the war Germany ceased to send them, and the supply is being drawn from Japan. The manufacturer, encouraged by the new business, is said to be planning to double its yearly output, probably organising a Joint Stock Company with large capital. In 1910 this violin manufacturer reported a yearly output of \$5,000G.

## From the Ranks.

The late Major-General Sir Luke O'Connor was the most remarkable "ranger" of our times. He rose to command the regiment in which he had enlisted about 65 years ago, and was one of the first recipients of the Victoria Cross, which was awarded him for conspicuous gallantry at the battle of the Alma. He was among the soldiers nursed by Florence Nightingale in the Crimea. Sir Luke was originally intended for the priesthood, but on a visit to London his thoughts turned to the Queen's shilling and he enlisted in the 17th Lancers. He was a born soldier, and within a fortnight the new recruit had received his stripes as lance-corporal.

## Globe.

## The Hat That Can't Be Seen.

Among the latest American fashions is the invisible hat, which seems to be no more than a few rose-petals and a gauzy filament between. The new hat, says an American paper, is a symbol of the invisible halo which—as "every woman knows"—is part of the dim and nebulous aura of femininity that envelops her being, and fragrantly bespeaks "the sweet presence of a good diffused." Fashions wax and wane, serenely oblivious of light raillery or caustic censorship, and what one decade extols as beautiful is laughed out of court by the next. And still "the eternal feminine" rests its imperial puissance largely upon those mysterious devices of the adornment of the person that provide at once the delight and the distraction of mankind. Have ages, statesmen and Napoleon's of finance ever noted that the price of the hat is always inversely proportioned to its superficial area? The only objection to the wholly invisible hat is likely to be its prohibitive cost.

## Sale of Thackeray Manuscripts.

New York, Feb. 4.—The library sale this afternoon in the Anderson galleries of the Thackeray manuscripts, first editions and drawings, collected by Mr. B. A. Behrend of Brookline, Mass., with additions from the libraries of Mrs. Rebecca Wharton Gay and others, proved to be one of the big book sales of the winter, the bidding for the Thackeray items being especially brisk. Mr. Drake paid \$250 for the original manuscript of "Dr. Birch," which was the highest figure of the session. Other purchases by Mr. Drake were a set of six water-colour drawings for the "Paris Sketch Book," for \$180; the first edition of the "Second Funeral of Napoleon," for \$124; a copy of the first edition of "Vanity Fair," in the original nineteen parts, for \$180; and a first issue of Dickens' "Tale of Two Cities," for \$21. The original manuscript of Charlotte Bronte's preface to "Vanity Fair," for \$140; first edition of "Pendennis," with autograph letter, for \$75; the original manuscript of the Pioneer speech for \$80; and the Thackeray-Holmes correspondence for \$126. Other prices were as follows: Two drawings, for \$8; drawing for Mrs. Perkins, \$13; eight drawings for "The Book of Scabs," for \$125; first edition of "Our Street," with original drawing, for \$25; "Henry Esmond," with autograph letter, for \$85; "The Newcomes," with two letters, for \$60; and a set of first editions of Thackeray, for \$85.

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Mr. T. W. Moore, Secretary, is a member of the Admiralty Transport Arbitration Board. In addition to other important official duties connected with the war he is chiefly responsible for the immense amount of recruiting carried on by the Guild in meeting the requirements for officers of the Admiralty, War Office, Trinity House, and others, being in constant personal touch with the Admiralty. Others rendering Mr. Moore valuable co-operation are—Mr. G. B. Say, Assistant Secretary, and Captain S. C. Monk, R.N.R., Sub-Lieut. Frederick S. Morris, R.N.R., Sub-Lieut. H. J. Hodge, R.N.R., and Midshipman John McD. Cooper, R.N.R., all of H.M.S. *Viktor*.

In addition to the great number of officers engaged for Admiralty service and recruited by the Guild since the outbreak of the war up to the end of last year, no fewer than 125 merchant Captains and Officers have gone into active service through the medium of the Guild since the beginning of the present year and have been granted commissions from the rank of Commander, R.N.R., down to Sub-Lieutenant R.N.R. Through the Guild the following members have recently been granted commissions as First Lieutenants in the Royal Engineers: Messrs. A. G. Miles, W. A. T. Pennant, and Robt. Smith.

The renowned Australian yachtsman, Mr. W. Marks, who was to sail in the Shamrock, and who is solicitor to the Guild at Sydney, has been granted a commission as Lieutenant, R.N.V.R., and now holds an independent command. Other members of the Guild who have recently obtained commissions as Sub-Lieutenants in the R.N.V.R. are: Messrs. R. H. Tepper, H. Curtis, W. B. Duncan, J. W. Le Bontillier, E. H. Vann, A. P. Dugdale, W. E. Jackson, B. D. Lawrence, A. Bean, P. Pearson, and F. L. Wilson.

Corporal John L. Tipping (Assistant Cashier), 6th Battalion, King's Liverpool Regiment.

Private C. B. Washbrook, Royal Army Medical Corps.

Private J. L. Wall, Royal West Surrey Regiment.

Private A. Robson, 2nd City Battalion, King's Liverpool Regt.

## WAR ITEMS.

"Struck to the Heart." The *Nieuws van den Dag*, Amsterdam, publishes from Berlin the following message:—"That a copper famine is about to occur in Germany should really occasion no surprise. It is indeed one of the direst results foreseen in all industrial circles in Germany, as a direct consequence of England's intervention in the conflict. England will never be forgiven for the murder of Germany's shipping trade. In Germany it is in no sense denied that Germany has been struck to the heart by the power of England's fleet."

Germans Repulsed by French in Cameroons.

Paris, January 9, 10:42 a.m.—French troops from the Congo, who have been occupying Edea, in the German Cameroons, have been attacked in force by a mixed detachment of German and native soldiers. The Germans were repulsed, leaving on the field

seventy-four dead and wounded, one machine gun and fifty rifles.

This information is contained in an official telegram received to-day by the French Colonial Office.

The French losses in the engagement are described as trivial.

The date of the fighting is not given.

Slaking of Karlsruhe Told in a Letter.

Montreal, January 12.—A description of a naval battle off

Grenada, British West Indies, is given in a letter received here

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MARRIAGE.

WELLS—TAYLOR.—On March 2, 1915, at H. B. M. Consulate, Shanghai, by Sir Everard Fraser, K.C.M.G., Matthew Edward Howey Wells, to Christian Gentle Taylor.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 1915.

FUTILE BOASTS.

Though the threats of German "frightfulness," to be carried out with the aid of submarines, were launched forth with a great flare of trumpets, it is comforting to realise that they have up to the present not materialised to any serious degree. As we took occasion to remark in our war notes a day or two ago, it was only for a week after the announcement of the German intentions that the pinpricks were felt, and even then, the craft sunk were small coasting boats or tramp steamers. In other words, we suffered from the initial shock, but since then we have had time to take precautions and have not only done so, but have gone further and adopted retaliatory measures which have sent more than one of the enemy's submarines to the bottom of the sea.

In this business, Germany has been playing the favourite role of the Fat Boy of Europe, and she has sought to make our flesh creep by all sorts of "frightfulness." But some of her work has been of a particularly dastardly character. For example, there is the instance in which she torpedoed a vessel that was conveying American supplies to starving Belgium, while yet another example—and an even worse one—was that in which she deliberately fired a torpedo, which fortunately went astray, at one of our hospital ships near Havre. But with all this savagery and flagrant defiance of civilised warfare, Britons calmly refuse to allow themselves to be scared or frightened. In the case of an island-like ours, with such a difficult expanse of coastline to watch, it is impossible for the Navy to be always on the spot every time a German submarine bobs up. But, precisely for the same reason, the German threat of blockading us by submarines is mere Tantonic moonshine.

The pretext for the special hatred in Germany against us is that we have most traitorously joined in this war against her. The hollowness of the excuse is apparent from the special preparations Germany has made for hitting us. First there were the marauding cruisers and armed merchantmen. These have now been practically wiped out, and they no longer menace our shipping. Then the Germans tried to terrify us by bombarding our East Coast towns, but Admiral Beatty has put a stop to that little game. The Zeppelin threats have produced nothing worth mentioning. So Germany has now nothing left with which she can frighten us. All her boasting and bluster have been in vain.

Two Exemplary Sentences.

Mr. Hazelton was usefully busy yesterday at the Police Court, as two Chinese law-breakers know to their cost. In one instance he did what he could towards achieving an overcharging comrade—the way wherein he should walk, by fining him fifty dollars—with the alternative of a couple of months' hard labour. This paltry individual, who has been seeking to make profit out of war conditions, will have to sell a fair number of apples before he makes sufficient money to meet that fine. Householders who frequently draw the Telegraph's attention to cases of unfair charging will now see that a good remedy lies to their hand. The police took up this particular case, and we are sure that they will be willing to interest themselves in any other that is brought to their notice. The other Chinese who has cause to regret making the senior magistrate's acquaintance was asked to pay twenty-five dollars, or to go to jail for a month, for that he did elect to insult an English lady who had tendered coin of the realm in payment for a Race Book. We are heartily glad to learn that this person has met the treatment he deserved, for he evidently belongs to the class of Chinese that can be politeness itself to a man, but that regards a woman as fair game on which to exercise insolence and incivility.

Mexico and the United States.

Reuter wires that the "increasing chaos" in Mexico City has brought about urgent representations from the Government at Washington to Carranza, "amounting to a warning." In face of a telegram received in Manila on Sunday, even "increasing chaos" seems a scarcely adequate expression, for the inhabitants appear to be on the verge of starvation and the city itself is being held by a hostile force under General Obregon; food is at more than famine price, the railways have ceased work, and over a hundred of the most influential merchants are in prison because of their refusal to pay the million dollars (Gold) which Obregon has sought to levy. Further, this gentleman has threatened to cut off the water supply. On the whole, we should think it almost time that "something" was done and that the "entire change of policy" on the part of the Washington Government was brought into being. It is difficult to believe that the great mass of Americans can be in favour of their country's sitting with folded hands while anarchy rides rampant on the other side of their southern frontier. Had President Wilson taken an uncompromising stand twelve months ago, the poor of Mexico City would not be starving to-day. If his Government refuse to take definite action now, not only will grave offence be given to some millions of Americans who object to a policy of chilly-shilly, but he may find the Argentine, Chile and Brazil taking steps which will be to their—and to Mexico's—ultimate advantage, but not at all to the advantage of the United States.

What is a Gentleman.

Anyone who has been in Hongkong for a day or two, can tell us what is not a gentleman—for Hongkong, for some reason or another, is singularly rich in the genus "bounder." But the Dean of St. Paul's has been answering the question: What is a gentleman? Dean Inge's definition is "half the creation of Christianity, and half the creation of civilisation." The Christianity part of the argument is hardly to be gainsaid, for if a man could live entirely up to the spirit of the Saxon on the Mount he could not help being practically all that constitutes a gentleman. The power of civilisation in the making of this curious entity can easily be exaggerated, however; we have met agricultural labourers, Chinese coolies and jungle savages of whom it could be said that almost their every instinct was that of a gentleman. Yet—But the point is too nice; and we seem to remember that Basset once said that he had known men who possessed the heart of an angel, yet who invariably used a plate as if it were a trough. We shall have to leave it to the Dean.

DAY BY DAY.

A MERRY HEART MAKETH A CHEERFUL COUNTENANCE, BUT BY SORROW OF THE HEART THE SPIRIT IS BROKEN.

The Weather.

Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 65°; clear.

At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 54°; clear.

Count the Columns.

Yesterday the Telegraph published 34 columns of solid reading matter. To-day there will be 33 published.

The Mail.

Siberian Mail.—Due per s.s. Sardinia to-morrow.

Siberian Mail.—Closed per s.s.

Polynesian to-day at 10 a.m.

Siberian Mail.—Closed per s.s.

Luchow to-morrow at 3 p.m.

Up to the Minute—Share Market News.

Closing prices:—

Banks.—\$800, sellers.

Cantons.—\$357.

Unions.—\$830, sellers.

China and Manilas.—\$7, buyers.

Indies.—\$77, buyers.

Shells.—\$80, sellers.

Star Ferries.—\$30, sellers.

Luzons.—\$19, sellers and buyers.

Troop.—\$1.

Wharves.—\$65, sellers.

Shanghai Docks.—Tls. 53 buyers.

Hongkong Hotels.—\$119, sellers.

Humphrey's Estates.—\$6, sellers.

Dairy Farms.—\$34, sellers.

Green Islands.—\$5.

Union Waterboats.—\$18, sellers.

China Sugars.—\$110, buyers.

The Dollar.

The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 1s 91 16d.

Boy Scouts' Camp.

The Boy Scouts of St. Joseph's College intend going into camp at Easter.

Langkat Output.

Messrs. Wright and Hornby advise us that the Langkat output for yesterday was 243 tons.

Funds for Salvation Army.

Ensign Annie Smyth, of the Salvation Army, left for Shanghai by the Atsuta Maru to-day. She has succeeded in collecting some \$1,500 for the "Army" during her visit here.

Well Done, Canton!

H. M. Consul-General, Canton, has remitted to the Prince of Wales' Relief Fund local subscriptions for February amounting to £101. 6. 1. The total amount sent from Canton to date is £1,501. 5. 8.

Home Nursing Lectures.

A series of lectures in home nursing is being given to 25 members of the Catholic Women's League by Dr. Koob, who last year kindly prepared a number of members for the First Aid Examination under the auspices of the St. John's Ambulance Society.

Alice Memorial Hospital.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—J. Reid, \$20; G. K. Haxton, \$10; Weismann Ltd., \$5; Edinburgh Morningside Sunday School (28), \$89/73.

Interesting Publication.

The *Bulletin* of the Catholic Women's League for March is quite an interesting publication. It deals with the arrangements for the proposed pilgrimage to Macao during Easter, reports recent meetings of the League, by the Way, and includes an account of the activities of the Boy Scouts of St. Joseph's College, written by the Chief Scoutmaster, the Bishop's Pastoral Letter is also given.

NOTES ON THE CRISIS.

ALLIES' ALL-ROUND PROGRESS.

Russia's Wonderful Powers of Recovery.

FOOTBALL MATTERS.

Matches and League Tables.

The following football matches have been arranged for this week:—

Wednesday.—Lam Liang v University, Navy ground, 5.15

(H.K.L. II); referee, Mr. W. B. Viveash. Victoria Rovers v Confucians, Military ground, 5 p.m. (H.K.L. II); referee, Mr. F. W. Eager, Navy v Club, Club ground, 5 p.m. (U.S.L.); referee, Mr. F. A. Wilson.

Thursday.—D. oceans v Lusitano, Military ground, 5 p.m. (H.K.L.); referee, Mr. J. L. McPherson. R. E. v Div. II, H. K. League (Shield Semi-final), Club ground, 4.45 p.m.; referee, Mr. F. W. Eager.

The R. E. team for the Shield

match is as follows:—Rogers;

Coxon and Richards; Boff, Smith,

and Allen; Mallard, Townsend,

Scott, Horrop and Wilkinson.

The following players have

been chosen to represent the 2nd

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## THE S.S. RUBI AND ZAFIRO.

To Be Sold to London Firm.

The steamships Rubi and Zafiro, which, until a few months ago, ran between Manila and Hongkong, will apparently soon be things of the past, so far as Hongkong harbour is concerned, for we are authoritatively informed that the proprietors—the China and Manila Steamship Company—have practically concluded the sale of them to a London firm. Latterly the two vessels have been under charter in the Saigon rice trade.

It will be remembered that there was a question, some couple of years ago, of one or both being bought by a French firm for the Indo-China passenger trade, but, as the firm in question was not prepared to pay the owners' price, negotiations fell through.

The Zafiro and Rubi are sister ships (2,550 tons) and were built in 1901 at Port Glasgow, by Messrs. Dunlop and Co., and, during their later years in the Philippine trade, sailed under the United States flag.

## THE MYSTERIOUS BOX.

Sold to Contain \$70,000 Worth of Pearls.

A sealed box, suggestion of a large quantity of pearls, and the alleged obtaining of credit by their means, constituted the elements in a mild form of mystery which unfolded itself in the Police Court this morning, before Mr. J. H. Wood.

Frank Carlyle Chastlemaire, described as an agent and speaking with an American accent, was charged with obtaining credit to the extent of \$4,660, by means of fraud, from Mr. F. Chopard, proprietor of the Astor House Hotel.

Mr. W. B. Hind, of M. G. K. Bell Bentons office, who appeared to prosecute, informed his Worship that the defendant came to the Astor House Hotel on July 8 and stayed until August 31, when he left owing the sum alleged in the charge. He left with the manager of the hotel a box, which he said contained seventy thousand dollars' worth of pearls. The box was sealed and he proposed to open it at once. The defendant went away without the knowledge of the prosecutor, leaving the box behind. He would point out that the box alleged to contain the pearls was deposited in the ordinary way with the Astor House Hotel. He obtained credit on the strength of that box containing the pearls, and, when asked for payment, he said he handed the box over as security for the amount which he then owed. Subsequently he left without the knowledge of Mr. Chopard. He was next seen three or four days ago, and a report was made to the police, and, on Mr. Chopard's instructions, these proceedings were taken.

Asked to-day he pleaded, the defendant, in an emphatic manner, pleaded not guilty.

His Worship asked what the defendant would wish him to do—whether he would ask him a few questions and then open the box, or postpone the case until to-morrow afternoon.

The defendant said he wanted the case dealt with as quickly as possible. He had been in the Colony two and a half months after he left the Astor House Hotel and had been back here for a month before he was arrested. He would further like to point out that he was also being sued civilly and it would be a great hardship for him to have the case postponed. He had practically been under arrest for the past two days and had thereby lost enough money to have paid this.

Asked if he would consent to have the box opened, the defendant said he would, so long as he was allowed to put in a receipt which he had had from the hotel showing that the contents of the box were unknown.

The case was remanded until to-morrow afternoon, bail being allowed in the sum of \$1,000.

## COMPANY REPORT.

The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

The report of the above company, for presentation to the shareholders at the forty-sixth ordinary meeting, to be held at the office of the General Managers, on Thursday, the 18th March, at 12.30 p.m., is as follows:—

The General Managers and Consulting Committee have pleasure in submitting to the shareholders the forty-sixth annual report of the Company.

1913 Account.—This account shows a net profit on working of \$377,950.20. This sum, subject to the approval of shareholders, it is proposed to deal with as follows, viz.:—

Dividend of \$27 per share ... \$216,000.00

Addition to Re-insurance Fund ... 161,959.20

\$377,950.20

1914 Account.—The balance at credit of this account is \$403,716.54.

Consulting Committee.—Mr. White resigned his seat on account of his departure from the Colony and Mr. G. W. Barton was invited to fill the vacancy.

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Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. H. Percy Smith, F.C.A., and A. R. Lowe, F.C.A.

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Working Account 1913:

On 31st Dec. 1914.

Losses and Claims, \$124,020.57

Charges, ... 34,945.30

Re-Insurance to Consulting Committee and Audit

ors, ... 5,800.00

Commissions, ... 80,363.20

Balance, as per Balance Sheet, ... 377,950.20

\$623,948.13

Net Premium received, less Returns and

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Interest, ... 171,656.05

Transfer Fees, ... 16.00

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ASSETS.

Cash, on Current Ac-

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Deposits with

Banks, ... \$721,458.37

Mortgages, Loans and

Detenures, ... 1,818,778.92

Foreign Government

Silver Bonds, ... 7,371.79

Indian and Colonial

Government Stocks, ... 104,157.16

Foreign Government

Gold Loans, ... 135,968.13

Indian, Colonial and

Foreign Railway

and Port Trust

Bonds and Stocks, ... 183,615.82

Other Investments, ... 172,440.00

## THE SANITARY BOARD.

Mr. Goldring on Public Nuisances

The fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday, the President of the Department (Mr. G. N. Orme) presiding. There were also present:—The Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett, C.M.G., Hon. Mr. S. B. C. Ross, Lieut.-Colonel Gordon-Hall, Mr. P. W. Goldring, Mr. Chan Kai-ming, Mr. Ng Hon-tsz, Dr. F. Clark (Medical Officer of Health), Dr. W. W. Pearce (Assistant Medical Officer of Health), and Mr. W. Bowen-Rawlands (Secretary).

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The S.S. "Umaria," tons 5,317, Capt. Elton, will be despatched for Yokohama, Kobe and Milne on the 30th March.

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The S.S. "Orissa," tons 5,436, Capt. Langlands, will be despatched for S'pore, Penang, Rangoon &amp; Calcutta on the 13th March.

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## WEDNESDAY, 10th MARCH.

5.30 p.m. Kinshan. | 5.00 p.m. Fatshan.

## THURSDAY, 11th MARCH.

8.00 a.m. Honam. 8.00 a.m. Heungshan.  
5.30 p.m. Fatshan. 5.00 p.m. Kinshan.

Single Fare by Night Steamer..... \$ 6.00  
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## EXCURSION TO MACAO.

## SUNDAY, 14th MARCH.

The Company's new Steamship FAISHAN will depart from the COMPANY'S WING LOK STREET WHARF at 8 a.m. and return from Macao at 2 p.m. N.B.—The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday at 8 a.m. and from Hongkong at 1 p.m. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

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Destination.	Steamers.	Sailing Date
MARSEILLES AND LONDON, via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez & Port Said	Mishima Maru Capt. Wada Suwa Maru Capt. Mura	(THURS., 11th Mar. at noon) (THURS., 25th Mar. at noon)
VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE via S'pore, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama .....	Aki Maru Capt. Noma Tama Maru Capt. Nagasuye	T. 12,500 (TUES., 23rd Mar. at noon) T. 12,500 (TUES., 6th April at noon)
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, via Manila, Thursdays Townsville and Brisbane .....	Stango Maru Capt. Soyeda Nikkō Maru Capt. Takeda	T. 13,500 (TUES., 16th Mar. at 4 p.m.) T. 9,600 (FRI., 9th April at 4 p.m.)

Destination.	Steamers.	Sailing Date
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, via S'pore, Penang & Rangoon .....	Tosa Maru Capt. Takano	TUESDAY, T. 12,000 (23rd Mar.)
BOMBAY via S'pore, Malacca and Colombo .....		
MOJI & Kobo .....		

Destination.	Steamers.	Sailing Date
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## PASSENGER SEASON FOR 1915.

## FOR EUROPE.

Steamers.	Displacement.	Leave Hongkong.
Mishima Maru	16,000 tons	Thursday 11th March
Suwa	25,000 "	25th March
Atsuta	16,000 "	6th April
Yasaka	25,000 "	22nd April
Miyasaki	16,000 "	6th May
Kitano	16,000 "	20th May
Fushima	25,000 "	3rd June

## FOR AMERICA.

Steamers.	Displacement.	Leave Hongkong.
Aki Maru	12,500 tons	Tuesday 23rd March
Tama Maru	12,500 "	6th April
Yokohama	12,500 "	15th April
Sado	12,500 "	Tuesday 4th May
Awa	12,500 "	18th May

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	Szechuen	12th Mar. at d'light
NINGPO	Shaohsing	13th Mar. at d'light
SHANGHAI	Wenchow	13th Mar. at 10 a.m.
HOIHOW & PAKHOL	Taming	15th Mar. at 4 p.m.
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Tjikini	JAVA	1st half Mar.	S'HAII	1st half Mar.
Tjilwong	JAPAN	1st half Mar.	JAVA	2nd half Mar.
Tjilrocem	JAVA	2nd half Mar.	S'HAII	2nd half Mar.
Tijpanas	JAVA	2nd half Mar.	JAPAN	2nd half Mar.
Tilbodas	JAVA	2nd half Apr.	JAPAN	2nd half Apr.
Tjikembang	JAVA	2nd half Apr.	S'HAII	2nd half Apr.

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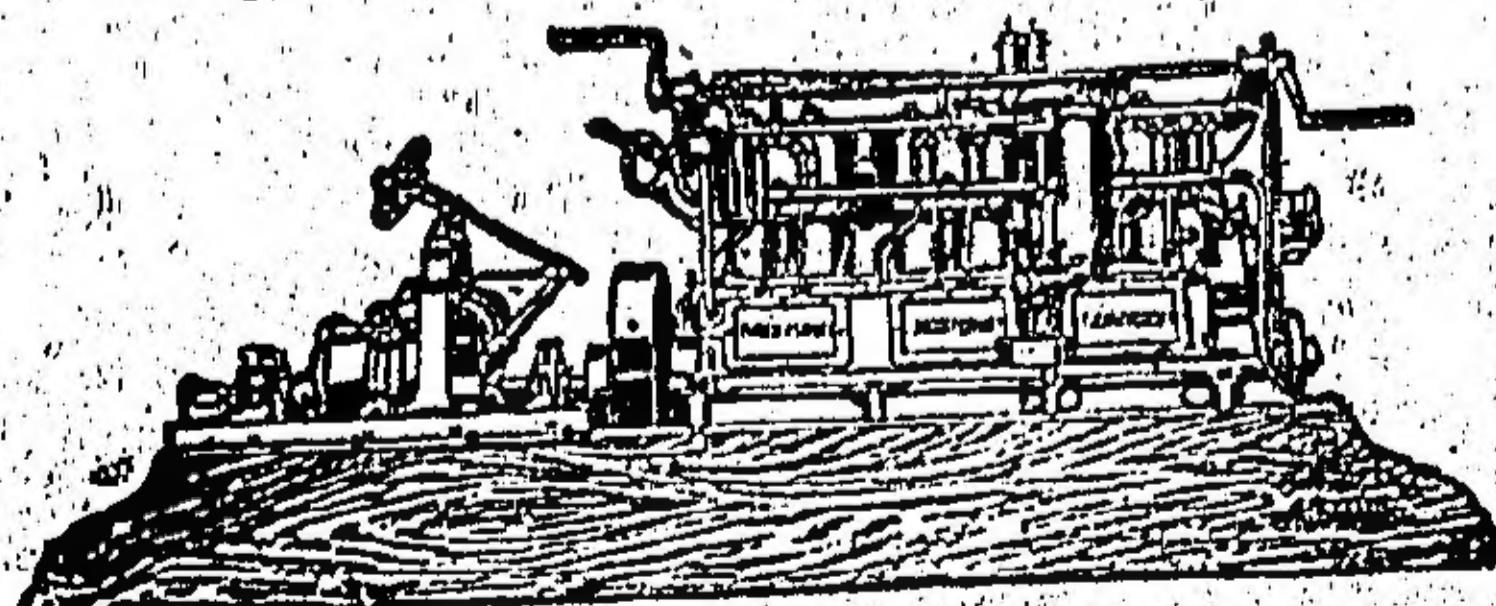
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## AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. ss. SIBERIA will be despatched from this port on Wednesday, March 17, at 1 p.m. for San Francisco, via Shantou, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu.

## ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. ss. NUBIA left Singapore for this port on the 6th instant, p.m. with the outward English Mail, and is due here on the 12th instant at about daylight.

## MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The T. K. K. ss. TRONY MARU will next leave for San Francisco, via usual ports on Tuesday, 13th April, at noon.

The Barber Lines ss. BOLTON CASTLE for Hongkong via Panama Canal left New York on the 29th January and is therefore due to arrive here about the beginning of April.

The ss. ITOLA sailed from Calcutta on the 20th ult. and may be expected here on or about the 11th March.

The T. K. K. ss. SHINTO MARU will next leave Hongkong for San Francisco, via usual ports, on Tuesday 11th May, at noon.

The T. K. K. ss. CHIYOKA MARU will sail for San Francisco via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Yokohama and Honolulu on Tuesday, 23rd March, at noon.

The ss. SANGOLA sailed from Calcutta on the 3rd inst. and may be expected here on or about the 23rd inst.

The E. & A. ss. EMPIRE left Sydney for this port via Queensland Ports and Manila on 6th inst. and may be expected to arrive here on or about 28th inst.

The ss. UMARIA sailed from Calcutta on the 8th inst. and may be expected here on or about the 25th inst.

## VESSELS IN PORT.

## Steamers.

Tilaiap, Dut. ss. 2,470, F. E. C. van Heegebeck, 28th ult.—Savanna, 24th Jan.—Sugar—J. C. J. L.

Ucas, Br. ss. 2,397, P. Stewart, 2nd Inst.—San Francisco, 31st Jan.—Fuel oil—S. O. O.

Mexico City, Br. ss. 3,179, N. A. Starkey, Gen.—Vancouver, 22nd Jan.—Gen. M. B. G. K.

Hong Bee, Br. ss. 2,056, Egdon, 6th Inst.—Singapore, Gen.—Chinese.

Walshing, Br. ss. 1,170, Picknell, 6th Inst.—Bangkok—Rice—J. M. & Co.

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Salamis, Br. ss. 4,700, J. A. Gardner, 6th Inst.—South Africa, 20th Jan.—Gen. Line.

Yei Maru No. 2, Jap. ss. 1,143, Itari, 7th Inst.—Milne 4th Inst.—Coal—B. K.

Chingchow, Br. ss. 1,185, J. Doyle, 7th Inst.—Kwangtung, 4th Inst.—Lime—Stone—T. & Co.

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# THE HONG KONG TELEGRAPH.

## EXTRA

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 1915.

### TURF CHATTER.

#### ASC T HOLDS GOOD.

Acceptances for the Grand National.

(From Our Special Correspondent.)  
London, February 5.

An announcement of some importance bearing on the future of racing was made this week. A statement had appeared in print to the effect that in consequence of the war there would be no meeting at Ascot. It is now known (our correspondent "Centaur" writes) that the statement has no foundation in fact. On the contrary, the usual early preparations for the meeting are in progress, and it will certainly take place unless something absolutely unforeseen occurs to prevent it. No doubt the idea as to the abandonment of the meeting arose in consequence of most of the racing stands being at present in use as a hospital for wounded. Unless the war is over before next June, which seems most improbable, it is not easy to understand how a large hospital can readily be transferred elsewhere for the space of a week. But Viscount Churchill, who is the King's chief trustee of the meeting, has evidently received assurances on the point.

It will inevitably be a strange and melancholy Ascot. The racing may be of the usual high order, but what a melancholy picture the Royal enclosure on a paddock will present! Empitiae loneliness, and a profound sense of bereavement in place of brilliance, splendour, and distinction. Still, the fact of "Ascot" taking place at all in such unparalleled circumstances must strike an encouraging and therefore satisfactory note. And there must always be the chance that peace will have come in the interval between now and then.

It is now necessary to touch on the acceptances for the Spring Handicaps. They are published to-day and naturally create much interest among those who follow events on the Turf. Regarding them generally, it may be said that the forfeits, or "noncontents," are exceedingly few. This again shows what a amount of vigour there is in racing, for it comes an owner a fairly substantial sum to accept the handicapped weight for their race.

The only race on the Grand National Stakes-day and they include two French horses which the French Government will not allow to be shipped to England.

Sir W. Nelson's *Couvrefeu II* comes out because he has broken down, and the others are of no account at all. The top weight *Lutteur III* is French-owned, but he has been in England ever since running so well for the race last year. It is the general opinion that this horse, who won the "National" as a five-year-old, has been given too much weight—12.7. Nevertheless, he is such a grand jumper and has shown himself to be so well suited to the Liverpool course that he is certain to have a big following if fit and well on the day. The other ex-winners of the greatest steeplechase, *Covercoat* and *Sunlock*, hold their ground. They are both in the same stable and last year's winner is set to receive 15 lb. from *Covercoat*. *Sunlock* should prevail again, though he has been given 21 lb. more to carry than when he made the whole of the running and won easily last March.

It may be noted that the oldest horse engaged in the Grand National is *Rory O'More*. He is fourteen years old and belongs to the Boyton trainer, Mr. Percy Whittaker. That trainer's best representative may prove to be *Alfred Noble* (10.12), a 10-year-old, who has won his last three

### "THE QUANTS."

#### Another Excellent Performance.

In presence of His Excellency and a Government House party, "The Quants" again performed at the Theatre Royal last night, failing, if possible, yet more to their popularity. Every item on the long programme was entirely good; perhaps the numbers which gained the heartiest and lengthiest applause in the first half were Miss Peggy May's "Fairy Dance," the Trio: "Little Piggy," "The Dinky B. G.," Mr. Newell's ingenious rendering of "Three Blind Mice"—after a variety of composers, from Havelock Tchakovsky—and Miss Agnes Crandon's "Happy Summer Song," which was tremendously encored. The second part of the programme included "China Chimes"—dainty and artistic in all respects—and some fine fooling by Mr. Courtney Fagan and Mr. Sibley, over the rehearsal of a drama.

To-morrow night there will be a complete change of programme.

**Wheat Prices in England.**  
London, January 18.—An increase of 70 per cent. in the price of wheat, as compared with a year ago, and similar advances in other foodstuffs are giving rise to a demand for some form of state control of the food supplies. The General Federation of Trades Unions has taken up this matter, and intends to urge the Government, when Parliament meets, to take steps to prevent speculation in food products. The price of wheat is now higher than at any previous time in fifty years. Governmental regulation of freight rates for the transportation of foodstuffs over the seas also is strongly urged.

races in great style. There must, however, be a doubt as to whether he will stay and jump the severe course. On the same mark is an animal named *Lyncong*, with whom the handicapper has been exceptionally severe. This horse is trained, and until recently was running in small sailing steeplechases. How he can be thought to possess Grand National pretensions is a detail which the ordinary racing man cannot understand. Mr. Leslie Brabazon has been engaged to ride *Irish Mail* (11-12), and the mitigation is much to be regretted. This attention may be turned to a grey horse, *Silver Top*, who has certainly been given a chance with 10 st. He was beaten a head last week at Kempton Park by Mr. Beckwith-Smith's *Dark Collar*, who had run well for the last Grand Military Gold Cup. *Silver Top* is a great jumper, but there may be a doubt as to whether he will stay four and a half miles at Liverpool. *Irish Mail* is acknowledged to be the handsomest steeplechaser in the country, and the chief argument against him is that he may be too handsome to win a "National"! My inclinations at present incline to *Irish Mail*, *Alfred Noble*, and *Silver Top*.

Chief of those removed from the Lincolnshire Handicap are Mr. J. B. Joel's *Son Yat* and Mr. J. W. Burton's *Red Finch*. The latter was handicapped with a fair chance and his scratching comes as a surprise. Mr. Joel is evidently not satisfied with *Son Yat's* weight, as he has also taken the horse out of the City and Suburban, *Jubilee Handicap*, and *Liverpool Cup*. Mr. S. B. Joel, however, has left *Maiden Leigh*, *Honeywood*, and *Irish Chief* in the *Licestershire Handicap* are

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### THE VOLUNTEER RESERVES.

#### Promotion and Guard Arrangements.

Orders issued yesterday by Major Wakeman, Commanding H. K. V. R., state:—

**Parades.**—A. B. & C. Companies will parade on the Cricket Ground at 5.15 p.m. on Friday, 12th, Dress Drill Order, Recruits, not yet passed out, will parade on the Cricket Ground at 5.15 p.m. on Wednesday 10th, Thursday 11th and Monday 15th, N. C. O. class of instruction will be discontinued for the present.

**Promotions.**—The following promotions have been made in G. Co.—Sergt. W. Rattey to be Coy. Sergt. Major, Corp. D. T. Keith to be Sergt., Lcpl. H. G. White to be Corp., Pte. A. G. Graham to be Lcpl., Pte. J. M. Smyth to be Lcpl., to complete establishment.

**Main Guard.**—2 Officers and 100 rank and file of the Reserve will relieve this guard at 10 p.m. on Saturday, March 20th. The main guard will consist of the whole of B. Co. with the following exceptions:—Corp. G. C. Nixon, Pte. S. H. Dodwell, H. W. Looker, J. A. Plummer, A. Ritchie, A. H. Austin, E. D. Davison, J. R. Greaves, E. V. D. Parr and F. B. L. Bowley, and in addition the following members of A. Co. will be on duty with the main guard:—Sergt. A. C. Franklin, Lcpl. G. Martin, Ptes. H. M. Bain, A. Forbes, E. H. K. Y. S. H. Dutton, K. McLean, S. S. W. Wright, A. Gibbs, Corp. D. Harvey, Lcpl. A. Quarrell, Ptes. G. B. Byers, A. R. Henderson, P. Tester, R. Hunter, H. C. Sandford, A. V. Ward, J. W. Wilcock, W. V. Hinton, Corp. J. H. McHutchon, Ptes. F. Austin, H. F. Campbell, H. K. Holmes, A. O. Lang, J. Hyde, H. E. Scriven, C. W. Ward, F. W. White, R. P. Thursfield.

**Peak Guard.**—Mt. Austin Barracks.—1 Officer and 20 rank and file of the Reserve will relieve this guard at 10 p.m. on Saturday March 13th and remain on duty until Saturday March 20th at 7 a.m. A guard of 1 N. C. O. and 3 men will be mounted nightly from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. The Peak Guard will be composed of the following men:—Sergt. E. V. Michelmore, Ptes. T. Arthur, A. E. Griffin, H. F. Hickman, G. W. Burton, T. E. Pearse, E. J. Chapman, Lcpl. W. M. Humphreys, Ptes. H. W. Bird, R. Hancock, C. Lefrenz, C. D. Melbourne, G. A. Hastings, E. A. M. Williams, Lcpl. G. M. Smith, Ptes. A. G. Cappin, H. H. Hancock, W. B. Elwes, W. L. Patten, P. H. Holyoak.

All members detailed for either the Main or Peak Guards must remain in uniform all day and retain their arms and ammunition by them in readiness for any sudden call to duty.

**Officers on duty with Main Guard.**—Capt. Bruton and Lieut. Branch; with Peak Guard, Lieut. Blasen; Orderly Officer, Capt. Bruton; Orderly Sergeant, Sergt. J. C. MacKay. Orderly Opl., Lcpl. C. C. Hickling.

**To-day's Orders.**

To-day's orders state:—  
**Main and Peak Guards.**—It will be the duty of the Orderly Sergeant under the supervision of the Orderly Officer to detail the N. C. O. and men for the various guards, giving the men as much notice as possible. Members whilst on duty are not permitted to leave the Island except to visit the Kowloon Peninsula; exception is made in the case of members resident at Taipo. Members detailed for duty must be present unless their places are taken by other members and such substitutes must be notified to the Officer in Command of the Guard. The Q. M. Sergeant and the

Orderly Sergeant will attend at Headquarters (Kennedy Road) at 6.45 a.m. every Saturday morning for the purpose of taking over from, or handing over to, the Volunteer Corps, the premises, furniture and stores.

**Company Rosters &c.**—In future the Company Rosters are to be kept posted by the O. S. Sgt. Major, and the O. O. Cos. will be responsible that this is done punctually and the books returned to Headquarters. The Sergeant Signaller will keep a Roster of the Signallers and the signalling duties they perform. It must be ready for reference when called for.

**Leave.**—Members should address the O. O. Companies and not the Adjutant direct. In the case of long leave being desired, application must be made 10 days before the leave is to commence. The Provost Marshal will not issue permits to leave the Colony unless the applicants produce for him inspection the passes issued to them by their Company Commanders.

**Equipment.**—Any member having in his possession short rifle or bayonet No. 23 or any part of the Web Equipment No. 23, is requested to communicate with the Adjutant.

### THE VOLUNTEERS.

#### Result of the Field Firing.

Corps Orders issued yesterday by Lieut.-Col. A. Chapman, V.D.

**Joined.**—Sapper A. T. P. has joined the Corps and is posted to Engineer Company.

**Transfers.**—Ptes. W. N. Fleming and Pte. G. A. Miller from H. K. V. R. to Engineer Company.

**Leave.**—Lie. M. J. Green is granted leave of absence from 9.3.15 to 9.3.16.

Field Firing 7th March, 1915.

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"B" Co. H. K. V. R. 62 620 140 22.58

Infantry Sec. M. G. Co. 28 280 63 22.50

Civil Service Co. and Right Sec. M. G. Co. 33 330 67 20.30

"A" Co. H. K. V. R. 61 610 106 17.38

Provost Marshal's permits to leave the Colony.—Before calling at the Provost Marshal's Office for these, members must obtain a certificate of leave from the Corps and exhibit same to the Provost Marshal when applying for the permits.

**Parades.**—Parades for Wednesday, 10th instant:—Units on duty at Headquarters and Mount Austin Barracks, under Officers on duty. 5.00 p.m., Civil Service Co., Table "O" Machine Gun Course.

Detail.—Orderly Officer, Lieut. Weall; Orderly Sergeant, Lcpl. Lowick. To furnish Guard:—At Volunteer Headquarters, Scouts Company.

At Mount Austin Barracks: No. 1 Section Artillery and Left Section M. G. Co.

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## NOTICE.

The Thirty-Seventh Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, Pedder Street, on Wednesday, the 24th March at noon for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1914.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 11th to 24th March, both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, 4th March, 1915.

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## OFFICIAL MARKET PRICES

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## BUTCHER MEAT.

	Jts.	足
Beef Sirloin & Prime Cut.—Mai Lung Pa	lb. 19	19
Corned.—Ham Ngau Yuk	19	19
Roast.—Shin	19	19
Breast.—Ngau Lam	17	15
Soup.—Tong Yuk	20	16
Steak.—Ngau Yuk Pa	30	24
do.—Sirloin.—Ngau Lau	24	10
Sausages.—Ngau Cheung	per set 10	10
Bullock's Brains.—No ...	each 50	50
Tongue, fresh.—Ngau Li	60	60
corned.—Ham Ngau Li	60	60
Head, "—Ngau Tau	lb. 25	25
Heart.—Ngau Sum	lb. 14	14
Hump, Salt.—Ngau Kin	20	20
Foot.—Ngau Keuk	each 11	11
Kidneys.—Ngau Yiu	18	18
Tail.—Ngau Moi	lb. 13	13
Liver.—Ngau Kon	6	6
Tripe (undressed).—Ngau To	set \$1.00	1.00
Calves Head & Feet.—Ngau-tsai-tau-keuk	lb. 25	25
Mutton Chop.—Yeung Pei Kwat	25	25
Leg.—Yeung Pei	24	24
Shoulder.—Yeung Shau	27	27
Saddle...	27	27
Pigs Chitlings.—Chu Chong	per set 24	24
Brains.—Chu No	lb. 13	13
Foot.—Chu Keuk	16	16
Fry.—Chu Chap	16	16
Head.—Chu Tau	16	16
Heart.—Chu Sam	each 11	11
Kidneys.—Chu Yiu	18	18
Liver.—Chu Kon	24	24
Fat or Lard.—Chu Yau	28	28
Sheep's Head and Feet.—Yeung Tau Keuk	set 80	80
Heart.—Yeung Sam	each 8	8
Kidneys.—Yeung Yiu	12	12
Liver.—Yeung Kon	28	28
Smoking Pigs, to order.—Chu Tsai	22	22
Suet, Beer.—Shang Ngau Yau	20	20
Mutton.—Shang Young Yau	26	26
Veal.—Ngan Tsai Yuk	19	19
Sausages.—Ngan Tsai Cheung	20	20
Lard.—Chu Yau	20	20

## POULTRY.

	Cts.	仔
Chicken.—Kai Tsai	lb. 30	30
Capons, Large, Small.—Sin Kai	30	30
Ducks.—Ap	20	20
Doves.—Pan Kau	18	18
EGG, Hen.—Kai Tan (cooking)	per dos 20	20
EGG, Canton.—Kai	lb. 34	30
Hainan.—Ho Nam Kai	24	24
Geese.—Ngo	each 28	28
Pigeons, Canton.—Pak Kap	each 25	25
Hoihow.—Ho How Pak	each 20	20
Snipe.—Sha Tsui	lb. 60	60
Turkeys, Cock.—Fo Kai Kung	45	45
" Hen, " " Na	10	10

## FISH.

	Cts.	仔
Barbel.—Ka Yu	lb. 16	16
Bream.—Pin Yu	18	18
Canton Fresh Water Fish.—Hoi Sin Yu	15	15
Carp.—Li Yu	20	20
Catfish.—Chik Yu	12	12
Codfish.—Mun Yu	14	14
Crabs.—Hai	26	26
Cuttle Fish.—Muk Yu	18	18
Dab.—Sha Mang Yu	12	12
Dace.—Wong Mei Lep	13	13
Dog Fish.—Ti To Sha	10	10
Eels, Conger.—Hoi Mai	13	13
Fresh water.—Tam Sui Yu	18	18
Eels, Yellow.—Wong Sin	32	32
Frogs.—Tin Kai	33	33
Garoupa.—Shek Pan	40	40
Gudgeon.—Pak Kap Yu	16	16
Herrings.—Tso Pak	20	20
Halibut.—Cheung Kwan Kap	20	20
Labrus.—Wong Fa Yu	18	18
Loach.—Wu Yu	26	26
Lobster.—Long Ha	28	28
Mackerel.—Chi Yu	20	20
Monk Fish.—Mong Yu	32	32
Mullet.—Chai Yu	16	16
Parrot Fish.—Kai Kung Yu	12	12
Pike.—Fa Pau Fong	18	18
Plaice.—Pan Yu	15	15
Pomfret, Black.—Hak Chong	26	26
Pomfret, White.—Pak Chong	28	28
Prawns.—Ming Ha	38	38
Ray.—Pai Fa Sha	10	10
Rock Fish.—Shek Keu Kung	15	15
Roach.—Chun Yu	12	12
Salmon.—Ma Yau	30	30
Shark.—Sha Yu	7	7
Skate.—Po Yu	8	8
Shrimps.—Ha	25	25
Snapper.—Lap Yu	28	28
Soles.—Tat She Yu	26	26
Tench.—Wan Yu	16	16
Turbot.—Cho How Yu	18	18
Turtles, small, fresh water.—Keuk Yu	60	60

## FRUITS.

	Cts.	子
Almonds.—Bang Yan	lb. 25	25
Apples (California).—Kam Shan Ping Kao	18	18
Apples (Chefoo).—Lie Chun Ping Kao	—	—
" Small.—Hoi Tong	—	—
Bananas, fragrant, Canton.—San Shing Heung Chiu	lb. 12	12
" (Brides).—Macao.—San Heng Chiu	—	—
Chestnuts, Chinese.—Yeung Lat	—	—

Caramalb.—Yeung To	each 12	12




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THE WAR

COUNTRIES ENGAGED.	
Germany	Britain.
	Russia.
Austria	France.
	Belgium.
Turkey	Japan.
	Serbia.
	Montenegro.

**ARMY TERMS EXPLAINED.**  
Army corps is a complete army on a small scale in itself. The strength varies from 35,000 to 45,000 men.  
Division is a force of infantry, cavalry, and artillery, usually with a strength of from 15,000 to 20,000 men.  
Brigade is a force of infantry or cavalry. The infantry brigade is from 4,000 to 7,000 strong. The cavalry brigade is from 1,000 to 2,000 strong.  
Regiment of infantry is from 2,000 to 4,000 strong. A cavalry regiment is from 500 to 1,000 men strong.  
Squadron of cavalry is from 150 to 200 men strong.  
Battery of artillery in the British and French armies has 8 guns and about 200 men. In the German Army consists of 4 guns and 150 men. In the Russian Army it consists of 8 guns and 250 men.

**PRINCIPAL EVENTS.**  
June 28—Archduke Franz Ferdinand assassinated.  
July 23—Austria sends an ultimatum to Servia.  
July 31—Russia orders general mobilisation.  
Aug. 1—Germany declares war on Russia, French Cabinet orders general mobilisation.  
Aug. 2—German forces enter Luxembourg. Germany demands free passage through Belgium.  
Aug. 4—England sends ultimatum, demanding observance of Belgian neutrality. Germany rejects ultimatum. German troops attack Liege.  
Aug. 5—England announces a state of war with Germany.  
Aug. 7—Germany enters Liege. French invade southern Alsace.  
Aug. 8—Italy reaffirms neutrality.  
Aug. 15—Austrians enter Servia. Japan sends ultimatum to Germany.  
Aug. 17—British expeditionary force completes its landing in France.  
Aug. 19—Beginning of battle of Lorraine.  
Aug. 20—Germans enter Brussels.  
Aug. 23—Germans enter Namur and begin attack on Mons.  
Aug. 24—British begin retreat from Mons.  
Aug. 25—French evacuate Moulbrœus.  
Aug. 26—Non-partisan French Cabinet organised. Germans take Longwy.  
Aug. 27—Louvain burned by Germans. Japanese blockade Tsin-tau.  
Aug. 28—Battle of Heligoland.  
Sept. 2—German advance reaches Sanlis, thirty miles from Paris, and swings eastward. French Government moves to Bordeaux.  
Sept. 3—Russians occupy Lemburg.  
Sept. 5—Battle of the Marne begins.  
Sept. 7—Maubouge taken by the Germans.  
Sept. 12—German retreat halts on the Aisne.  
Sept. 20—Germans bombard Rheims and injure the famous Cathedral.  
Sept. 22—German submarine sinks British cruisers Aboukir, Cressy, and Hogue. Russians capture Jaroslav and invest Przemysl.  
Sept. 23—British troops from India land at Marseilles.  
Sept. 28—Germans begin siege of Antwerp.  
Oct. 2—Germans defeated at Augustow.  
Oct. 5—Belgian Government removed from Antwerp to Ostend.  
Oct. 7—Bombardment of Antwerp begins.  
Oct. 9—Antwerp occupied by the Germans.

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Bena, G A	O	Dauchine Major	Sinclair A
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Dowles W	Pawes A B		
Dowley W A	Ramsey H E		
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Ehrnsfeld Mr & Mrs	Ray E H		
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Hart Geo B	Spear H		
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Haworth Mr. H. E.	Stockmest S		
Hobbs H W	Swallowell H E		
Hodge W J	Tavares J M		
Hough Mr. H H	Taylor Capt		
James M T	Vallace C		
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Kates F H	White F W		
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Lammie Ed	Wood G G		
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Bowen Major	Keigwiss Mr & Mrs		
Bowler Mrs	Lofthouse A C		
Carmichael Mr & Mrs	Martin Mrs R		
Carmichael Mr & Mrs	Mrs E V		
Day 12—A Beer commando in the Cape Province mutinies.			
Day 13—Belgian Government transferred from Ostend to Havre.			
Oct. 14—Allies occupy Ypres. Battle begins on the Vistula.			
Oct. 15—Ostend occupied by the Germans.			
Oct. 16—British cruiser Hawke sunk by German submarine.			
Oct. 24—Ten days' battle before Warsaw ends in German defeat.			
Oct. 27—Russians reoccupy Lemberg.			
Oct. 29—Russians enter East Prussia.			
Oct. 30—The Emden destroyed.			

Oct. 30—Col. Mariz, rebel leader driven out of Cape Colony.

Nov. 1—German naval victory off the coast of Chili.

Nov. 3—German squadron makes a raid on British coast near Yarmouth.

Nov. 4—German cruiser Yorck strikes mine in Jade Bay and sinks.

Nov. 5—England and France declare war on Turkey. Dardanelles forts bombarded.

Nov. 6—Russians reoccupy Jaroslav.

Nov. 6—Tsingtao surrenders.

Nov. 7—Russians enter East Prussia.

Nov. 10—The Emden destroyed.

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## SHARE REPORT.

## COMPARATIVE SHARE QUOTATIONS.

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**Gold on China.**  
A financial contemporary has the following note:—A development of some significance at the present time is the arrangement under which the Guaranty Trust Company of New York is importing \$3,000,000 of gold from China. Besides being the first time in history that any American local banking house has imported gold directly from China, the deal is believed to portend the beginning of a movement for the establishment of "dollar exchange" on a broad basis as a direct outcome of the war in Europe. As a matter of practice merchants in China who purchase American products such as cotton and flour usually pay in sterling by drafts drawn on London, Paris, or Berlin banks. Since the outbreak of the war, with the consequent disturbance in the European Money Markets, many business concerns in China and Japan, in common with merchants in all other parts of the world, have found it desirable to open credit with American banking institutions. With the purchase of large quantities of merchandise by Chinese merchants, a debit balance has been created in favour of the London branch of the Trust Company.

**Trade Nearly Normal in Borneo.**  
Colonel George M. Hudson, Sandakan, writes:

Trade conditions in British North Borneo are rapidly getting back to normal, although the rate of exchange is still high. Transportation facilities, which before the outbreak of war were monopolised by one company, now are furnished by two steamer lines from Singapore and one from Hongkong. The service from Singapore, connecting with European mails, is weekly and the Hongkong schedule is monthly. The prices received for native products, such as crude rubber and tobacco, are very low, but no failures have been recorded. In consequence of the war, the exportation of rubber has been partly diverted from Europe to the United States. All timber products still go to Hongkong, where the market is permanent and steady. Trade locally is not suffering, though more or less depression is noticeable. Prices of most commodities advanced when the original steamer schedule was abandoned, but a drop followed when the new transportation service was established, and now they are practically back to the old level, with the exception of sugar and flour. The market here depends entirely on conditions in Singapore; the city is the great clearing-house for Borneo, as practically all exports except timber are sent there and all imports are transhipped there. Commercially, Borneo is not much more than a sub-station for Singapore; business houses here are, for the most part, branches of parent houses located in Singapore and all imports come through the parent houses. For that reason there is little independent buying by Borneo firms. Very few firms in this extensive region order goods independently from manufacturers. Singapore is a free port, and its wholesalers and warehousemen, who buy in large quantities and handle immense stocks, can supply the Borneo trade at very reasonable prices. As a rule prices in Singapore compare favourably with those of London, after adding a small profit and the cost of transportation. If American exporters would secure a good share of the trade not only of Europe but of the Malay States and neighbouring islands, more attention should be paid to selecting agents and establishing connections in Singapore. The value of this suggestion may become more apparent when it is understood that all goods for the Malay States, Borneo, the Southern Philippines, the Dutch Indies, and neighbouring islands—with a population of more than 100,000,000—are transhipped at Singapore. As long as it is to the advantage of local business houses to buy near at hand where prompt delivery follows, there is little chance for the sale of goods by catalogue when delivery cannot be expected under four months. The only American products sold here that do not come by way of Singapore are cotton and flour; they are shipped via Hongkong.

STOCK.	To-day's CLOSING PRICES	NUMBER OF SHARES	PAR VALUE	PAID UP	HIGHEST LOWEST	LOWEST 5TH MAR. TO NOW	HIGHEST 5TH MAR. TO NOW	LAST DIVIDEND AND DATE	1914.	1914.	1915.	1915.
									1914.	1914.	1915.	1915.
Banks.												
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	\$800 s.	12,000	\$125	all	855 July	700 Oct.	800	800	£2 3/- & 5/- bonus at ex 1/9/14 equal to \$27.27 for 1/2 year ending 31/12/14			
	£76/-											
Marine Insurances.												
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.	3574	10,000	\$50	50	350 Dec	305 Oct.	3574	3574	Final of \$3 a/c 1912. Interim of \$18 a/c 1913.			
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	160 b.	10,000	£15	5	145 May	138 Jan.	160	160	Final of 10 p.c. making 20 pc. for 1912			
Union Ins. Society of Cton, Ltd.	830 sa.	2,400	\$250	100	847 April	700 Oct.	830	830	Final of \$20 making \$50 for 1912 and Interim of \$30 for 1913			
Yangtze Ins. Assoc. Ltd.	235 b.	12,000	\$100	60	20 April	1924 Jan.	235	235	Final of \$12 mak. \$15 for 1912 & Int. of \$3 for 1913			
Fire Insurances.												
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	1473 a.	20,000	\$100	20	160 July	140 Oct.	150	1474	\$10 for 1912			
Hongkong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	3973 b.	8,000	\$250	50	395 Feb.	368 April	3974	395	\$27 for 1912			
Shipping.												
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.	57 b.	30,000	\$25	all	10 Jan.	54 Dec.	7	61	\$1 for 1906			
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	529 s.	20,000	\$50	all	36 Mar.	274 Nov.	29	29	\$3 for year ending 30/6/14			
Hongkong, C. & M.S.S. Co., Ltd.	222 s.	80,000	\$15	all	294 Jan.	22 Dec.	22	22	Final of 49 cts. making 90 cts for year ending 31/12/14			
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	477 no. b.	60,000 £5	all	79 Jan.	50 Sept.	77	77	Final of 3% mking 6% on pre- ferred shares & 5% on de- ferred shares for year 1913				
Shell's Port & Trading Co., Ltd.	89/9 sa.	3,797,610 £1	all	106 Feb.	70 Sept.	88/9	87/6	Interim of 1/- a/c 1914 C.O. No. 23				
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	366 sa.	40,000 \$10	all	49 Mar.	40 Nov.	37	36	\$1.70 per share and bonus of 30 cents per share for year ending 30/4/14				
Refineries.												
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	110 b.	20,000 \$100	all	96 Jan.	70 Nov.	111	110	\$3 for 1912				
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	19 sa. b.	7,000 \$100	all	31 Jan.	17 Dec.	19	19	\$3 for 1897				
Mining.												
Kai Lan Mining Adm'n.	32- s.	1,000,000 £1	all	41 Feb.	33/6 Dec.	32/-	32/-	Final of 5% Coupon No. 4. making 10% for year end- ing 30/6/14				
Raub Australian Gold Min- ing Co., Ltd.	33/4 b.	200,000 £1	all	310 Jan.	190 Nov.	31	31	1/2 for 1909				
Tronoh Mines Ltd.	31- s.	160,000 £1	all	39/6 Feb.	31/6 Nov.	31/-	27/6	1/- mak. 7/6 a/c 1913				
Docks, Wharves and Godowns &c.												
Hongkong & K.W.&G. Co., Ltd.	663 sa.	60,000 \$50	all	89 Jan.	73 Nov.	66	65	\$3.50 for year 1913				
H'kong & W'p'ea D. Co., Ltd.	57 sa. b.	60,000 \$50	all	77 Jan.	53 Oct.	57	57	\$3 dividend for year 1913				
Shai Dock & Eng. Co., Ltd.	53 b.	55,700 t. 100	all	60 July	50 Dec.	53	52	Tls. 5 for 1913				
Shai & H'kew W. Co., Ltd.	924 b.	66,000 t. 100	all	109 Jan.	82/4 Dec.	92/4	92/4	Interim of Tls 3 for 1913				
Lands, Hotels and Buildings.												
Anglo French Lands.	94 t. 100 t. 100	25,000	t. 100	100	128 July	120 Dec.	120	119	Tls. 6 on 29.10 \$2.50 for half year ending 31/12/14			
H'kong Hotel Co., Ltd.	8119 a.	12,000 \$50	50	50	128 July	120 Dec.	120	119	Tls. 6 on 29.10 \$2.50 for half year ending 31/12/14			
H'kong Land Investment Co.	110 s.	50,000 \$100	all	117 1/2 July	98 Nov.	110	110	\$3 for year ending 31/12/14				
H'phrey's Estate & F. Co., Ltd.	65 s.	150,000 \$10	all	91/2 Jan.	63 Nov.	63	63	45 cents for year 1914				
K'loon Land & Building Co., Ltd.	41 s.	60,000 \$50	80	45 Jan.	44 Feb.	41	41	\$3 for 1914				
Shanghai Lands.	107 t.	78,000 \$50	all	98 Dec.	89 Oct.	107	107	Interim of 5 p.c. for year end- ing 30.6.13				
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	684 s.	19,500 \$50	all	73 June	66 Feb.	68/4	68/4	\$2.25 for half year ending 31.12.14				
H'kong Central Estates.	95 s.	10,000 \$100	all	—	—	95	95	\$4.09 for 7 months ending 31.12.14				
Cotton Mills.												
Ewo Cotton S. & W. Co., Ltd.	136 b.	20,000 £50	all	138 July	125 May	136	136	Tls. 12 for year ending 31/10/14				
Henglong Cotton Co.	66 b.	125,000 \$10	all	84/4 Mar.	7 June	68	64	50 cents 31/7/08				
Kung Yik.	134 b.	75,000 t. 100	all	141 Jan.	11 Mar.	134	12	Tls. 12 for year ending 30/11/14				
Laou Kung Mow.	86 b.	8,000 t. 100	all	110 Feb.	70 May	86	84	Tls. 12 for 1913				
Shanghai Cottons.	459 b.	40,000 £50	all	135 Feb.	70 Nov.	89	39	Tls. 10 for year ending 30/6/13				
Miscellaneous.												
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	11 s.	60,000 \$12	all	12 May	10 Dec.	11	11	\$1.20 for 1913				
China Light & Power Co., Ltd.	4 s.	50,000 £5	all	4/90 July	4 April	4	4	6% for year ending 28.2.06				
Do. (Spec. shares).												
China Prov't. & L. Co., Ltd.	74 b.	200,000 £10	all	9 Jan.	7 Nov.	74	74	70 cts. for 1914.				
Dairy Farm Company, Ltd.	834 s.	40,000 £5	6	39 June	35 Aug.	34	34	\$1.50 for year ending 31/7/14				
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	5/4 s.	400,000 £10	all	6.90 Jan.	5 Dec.	54	54	40 cts. for 1914.				
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	42 s.	90,000 \$10	all	49 Jan.	36 Nov.	42	42	\$1.80 per share for 1913				
Hongkong Ice Company, Ltd.	190 b.	5,000 \$25	all	217 1/2 July	174 Dec.	190	190	Interim of 2/3 a/c 1914				
Hongkong Rope Mfg. Co., Ltd.	326 b.	60,000 £10	all	25 June	22 Apr.	26	26	\$2 for 1913				
Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.	5.15 s.	325,000 £5	all	13/2 July	7/2 Feb.	5.20	5.15	Final div. of 7/3d. per share for 1913				

## ENGINEERING IN DIFFICULTIES.

What Chinese Patience Can Effect.

In the spring of 1913, says the *North China Daily News*, there arrived in Shanghai from Singapore an old steamer called the *Teresa*. The voyage from the south was somewhat of an achievement, for the vessel had lain idle for many months and was condemned to the scrap heap; but an enterprising Chinese merchant conceived a better fate for her, had the vessel patched up, and got together an intrepid crew for the journey to Shanghai, which journey was successfully accomplished, with a useful cargo of hardwood. After this had been discharged, the *Teresa* was handed to her new owner, Mr. Tong Yue.

## THE WAR.

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Jan. 28.—Germans lose two battalions at Givenchy and Guinchy.

Jan. 31.—Germany inaugurates submarine raids on British shipping.

Feb. 3.—German destroyer sunk by Russian submarine off Denmark. German auxiliary cruiser sunk off Patagonia.

Feb. 5.—Turks attempt to cross Suez Canal.

Feb. 6.—Allies resolve to unite financial resources.

Feb. 8.—Total British casualties 104,000. Turks retreat from Suez Canal.

Feb. 10.—Germans execute the rebel Mariz.

Feb. 17.—Canadian contingent lands in France.

Feb. 20-27.—Over 10,000 Germans surrender in France.

Feb. 27.—Allied Fleet enters the Dardanelles after destructive bombardment.

Mar. 1.—House of Commons votes supplementary credit of 37 millions and a fresh credit of 250 millions.

Indian Jute Mills' Association, Calcutta, January 29.—Presidenting at the annual meeting of the Indian Jute Mills' Association here yesterday, Mr. F. R. S. Charles, in the course of an address, welcomed the improvement which has been effected in jute forecasts, but said no real confidence would be felt in any system of forecasts that was not founded on continuity of office of the Director of Agriculture. Referring to the extension of the Calcutta Ports, Mr. Charles welcomed the fact that work on the new river side jetties was being pushed on as fast as possible. The excavation and new docks had also been begun.

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## POST OFFICE.

## Ships' Letter Boxes.

1. It is hereby notified that during the continuance of the War all outgoing correspondence must be posted at the General Post Office or at any of its Branch Offices.
2. Ships' Officers are strictly forbidden to receive on board their vessels any correspondence from the Public.
3. Shipmasters are not allowed to place or expose on board their vessels letter boxes for the purpose of collecting correspondence; all such boxes found exposed on board their vessels will be removed and returned to the General Post Office.
4. Shipping Companies must not receive from the Public for inclusion in their ships' Papers any but bona fide consignees' letters which should be left open or inspected when required.
5. Shipping Companies should state in their notifications to the Post Office the exact hour of departure of their vessels in order that the public may have every facility for posting at the General Post Office.
6. Shipping Companies and Ships' Officers must send to the Post Office ALL correspondence posted in the Ships' Letter Boxes or received by Ships' Officers at the ports from which they sailed, or anywhere en route to Hongkong.

NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT ALTHOUGH EVERY POSSIBLE PRECAUTION IS TAKEN TO SECURE THE SAFETY OF ALL POSTAL PACKETS WHILST IN THE CUSTODY OF THE POST OFFICE THE POSTMASTER GENERAL CANNOT GIVE COMPENSATION FOR ANY LOSS OR DAMAGE WHICH MAY BE DUE TO THE ACT OF THEIR KING'S ENEMIES. UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE NO LETTERS, BOXES, OR PARCELS FOR BELGIUM, BRAZIL, CRETE, OR MONTENEGRO AND NO LETTERS, BOXES OR PARCELS FOR MALTA CAN BE ACCEPTED FOR INSURANCE.

War risks are not covered by postal registration or insurance.

## THE PARCEL POST AND INSURED LETTER SYSTEM TO BRAZIL IS SUSPENDED.

The services to Germany, Austria, and their Colonies, and to the Ottoman Empire are suspended as are also the Parcel Post services to France and Tsingtao.

The Public are informed that Gold and Silver in Coin or Bullion & Paper Money cannot be accepted for transit service through the Post without a permit issued by the Superintendent of Imports & Exports.

British Postal Orders are now on sale at the Sui Yung Foon Branch Post Office.

A bag of mail from Hongkong to Paris dispatched post as Arcadia, on the 1st January 1915 for the Siberian route was returned to Hongkong yesterday, per ss. Polyneisan from Marsilles.

The reason for its return is not known and it will be forwarded via Siberia today.

The Sardines, with the Mail from London (via Siberia) of Friday, 12th ult., is due to arrive here on Thursday, 11th inst.

The Nabis, with the English Mail, left Singapore on Saturday, the 6th inst., and is due to arrive here on Friday, the 12th inst., at daylight.

## MAILS DUE.

Siberian, Sardinia, 11th March.

English, Nabis, 12th March.

## MAILS CLOSE TO-MORROW.

Holbow & Haiphong—Per TAKSANG, 11th inst., 9 a.m.

Haiphong—WAISHING, 11th Mar. 9 a.m.

Straits, Ceylon, Socotra, Port Said, Marseilles & London—Per MISHIMA MARU, 11th inst., 11 a.m.

Bangkok—Per TRITHJOF, 11th inst., 11 a.m.

Swatow, Shanghai & North China—Per LUCHOW, 11th inst., 11 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per KAIJO MARU, 11th inst., 1 p.m.

Shanghai & N. China—Per CHOYANG, 11th inst., 4 p.m.

Ningpo—Per SZECHUEN, 11th inst., 4 p.m.

## FRIDAY, 12th March.

Swatow & Bangkok—Per TUNGSAK, 12th inst., 10 a.m.

Strait, Burmah, Ceylon, Adelaid, Western Australia, India, Arab, Egypt, and Europe

Late Letters 10.30 a.m. to 11 a.m. (Extra Postage 10 cent.)

(Letters posted in all the Pilla Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) The parcel mail will be closed on Thursday the 11th inst., at 5 p.m. for SARDIMLA, 12th inst., 11 a.m.

Philippines, Australia, Tasmania, New Zealand via Port Darwin and New Guinea via Thursday Island—Per ST. ALBANS, 12th March, 10 a.m.

Azor & Foochow—Per HAL OHING, 12th Mar. noon.

Shanghai & North China—Per SHAO SHING, 12th Mar. 1 p.m.

## SATURDAY, 13th March.

Shanghai and North China (Europe via Siberia)—Per NUBLA, 13th inst., 9 a.m.

Plantain-Pukow Service, Shanghai Br. P.C. Friday, 13th inst.]

## SHIPPING NEWS.

## ARRIVED.

Kenkon Maru, Jap. ss. 2,001, Sasaki, 9th Inst.—Maji, 3rd Inst., Coal.—M. R. K.

Atsuta Maru, Jap. ss. 5,044, M. Yoshikawa, 9th Inst.—Middlebrough, 22nd Jan. Gen.—N. Y. K.

Pol. nelson, Fr. ss. 3,143, Constan, 9th Inst.—M. M. Marseilles, 7th ult., General—M. M.

Holbow, Br. ss. 999, Freer, 8th instant.—Holbow, 7th Inst., Gen.—B. & S.

Toucer, Br. ss. 5,816, W. Yarwood, 9th Inst.—Singapore, 4th Inst., Gen.—B. & S.

St. Albans, Br. ss. 2,533, E. P. Simpson, 8th Inst., Gen.—G. L. & Co.

Kaijo Maru, Jap. ss. Y. Yamamoto, 10th Inst.—Swatow, 11th Inst., Gen.—O. S. K.

Shaoching, British, ss. 1,307, 10th instant.—Shanghai, Gen.—B. & S.

Haiching, Br. ss. 1,267, W. G. Passmore, 10th instant.—Swatow, 9th instant., Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Daigai Maru, Jap. ss. 815, S. Sakushige, 10th Inst.—Maji, 4th Inst., Gen.—A. L.

Orissa, Br. ss. 3,525, D. H. Langlands, 10th Inst.—Maji, 4th Inst., Gen.—A. L.

## DEPARTED.

March 9.

Shangking for Shanghai  
Sabine Rickmers for Canton  
Korea for San Francisco via Shanghai  
Rokkoan Maru for Hongkay  
Hue for Haiphong via Kwang-chow-wan  
Glofallech for Singapore via Amoy  
Kaifang for Haiphong via Holbow  
Devawongse for Saigon  
Indra kuala for New York via Singapore  
Haiyang for Foochow via Swatow  
Chiuyuen for Canton  
Chihchuan for Holla via Manila

## CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

March 9.

Iyo Maru for Mori  
Nishio Maru for Bankok  
Kanagawa Maru for Bombay via S'pore  
Tecuer for Yokohama via Shanghai  
Aoya Maru for Iwate via Mori  
Polynesia for Yokohama via Shanghai  
Chinghau for Port Persaval

March 10.

Kueichow for Tientsin  
Tientsin for Canton  
Kwangtung for Shanghai via Swatow  
Hainan for Swatow  
Kaiping for Baugkok  
Tikini for Kobe via Shanghai  
Shaoching for Canton  
Takang for Haiphong via Holbow

## PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per ss. Shaoching from Shanghai.—Mrs Cogan, Miss Schutze, Messrs George, Foster, Goldwin, Menzer.

Per ss. St. Albans from Kobe etc.—Miss Brown, Miss G. M. Eddie, Mrs C. Wilson, Miss R. I. Tonkin, McVicar, James, Blackstock, Newland.

Per ss. Polynesia from Marseilles etc.—Mrs Charnier, Mr. H. L. Moore, H. C. Davis, Mr. Chan, Wat-don, Kwick Tay-chuang, Tang Hui-ming, Ibrahim, Tri-chim Weeks, P. F. Pauson, A. Strachan, Luong Hui, Tran Khan, Tuan Duong, W. Shevaram, Huynh Wu-can, Tuan Can, Mrs Wong Su, Chia T'sun, Nyan Chin, T. San-yu, Luong Due, Luong An, Ly G. Tai, Trung Quon, Quon Long, Minh Tong, Tang Hung Wo.

Holbow & Pahkoi—Per WENCHOW, 13th inst., 9 a.m. —  
Philippines—Per LOONGSANG, 13th Mar. 3 p.m.

Straits and Calcutta—Per ORISSA, 13th Inst., 3 p.m.

## SUNDAY, 14th March.

Swatow—Per HAIMUN, 14th Inst., 9 a.m.—  
Swatow, Amoy & Tainan—Per DAIJI MARU, 14th Inst., 1 p.m.

Shanghai & N. China—Per CHOYANG, 11th Inst., 4 p.m.

Ningpo—Per SZECHUEN, 11th Inst., 4 p.m.

## MONDAY, 15th March.

Japan via Nagasaki—Per NIKKO M.

15th Mar. 9 a.m.

## TUESDAY, 16th March.

Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per HAL-TAN, 16th Mar. noon.

Straits, Burmah, India—Per ORISSA, 16th Inst., 2 p.m.

Shanghai, N. China & Japan via Yokohama—Per ILOLA, 16th Inst., 2 p.m.

Philippines—Per TAMING, 16th Mar. 3 p.m.

Austria—Philippines Islands, Australia & New Guinea via Thursday Island—TANG MARU, 16th Inst., 3 p.m.

Philippines, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—ST. ALBANS, 12th March, 10 a.m.

Azor & Foochow—Per HAL-OHING, 12th Mar. noon.

Shanghai & North China—Per SHAO-SHING, 12th Mar. 1 p.m.

## FRIDAY, 19th March.

Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per HAL-YANG, 18th Mar. noon.

Wednesday, 7th April.

Philippines Islands, Australia & New Guinea via Port Dalian, New Zealand via Thursday Island—ST. ALBANS, 12th March, 10 a.m.

Azor & Foochow—Per HAL-OHING, 12th Mar. noon.

Shanghai & North China—Per SHAO-SHING, 12th Mar. 1 p.m.

## SATURDAY, 13th March.

Shanghai and North China (Europe via Siberia)—Per NUBLA, 13th inst., 9 a.m.

Plantain-Pukow Service, Shanghai Br. P.C. Friday, 13th inst.]

## Oysters, Fresh, Fried or Stewed

Windon Haddocks, Kippers &c.

## ALEXANDRA CAFE.

## WEATHER REPORT.

On the 10th at noon—No returns from Indo-China.

The anticyclones has moved eastwards and is situated this morning between the Bonin Islands and Japan.

Pressure has decreased moderately along the China Coast, Formosa and South Japan; it has risen moderately over central Japan; changes over rest of the area are slight.

The depression remains in the neighbourhood of Nomo. Another anticyclone covers North China.

Hongkong. Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.03 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.

SHANGHAI and Neighbourhood

Light N.W. winds, freshening from N. and N.E. and fine.

3 Fumosa Channel

The same as No. 1.

3 South coast of China between H.K. and Lamocka

The same as between H.K. and Lamocka, as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register.

10th Mar. a.m.

Station. Hour